



## MASSES OF THE WEEK

**Monday, March 10 - Ferial: Weekday**

7:30a.m. - Intentions of Bob, Intentions of Father John.

**Tuesday, March 11 - Ferial: Weekday**

7:30a.m. - Anna Maria Sacco  
12:10p.m. - Maureen & Donald Cavanaugh.  
Intentions of Florence Bolce.

**Wednesday, March 12 - Ferial: Weekday**

7:30a.m. - Bertha Weiler, Joseph Adamo.

**Thursday, March 13 - Ferial: Weekday**

12:10p.m. - Anne Paik, Sam Chmilar.

**Friday, March 14 - Ferial: Weekday**

7:30a.m. - Ricardo Scapin  
7:00p.m. - Nicola Limina, Terry Tischart.

**Saturday, March 15 - Feast: St. Joseph**

5:15p.m. - Reta & Peter Steffler, Joyce Margaret Thompson, Mario Milani, Marion Bordignon, Frank Kocher.

**Sunday, March 16 - Passion Sunday**

9:00a.m. & 11:00a.m.

**Sunday Offering: \$13, 363.00**

This figure includes the weekly & monthly deposits from a number of our parish families.

**In your charity please pray for the soul of Father John Murphy a retired priest of our parish who served our Diocese for over 58 years. May he rest in peace.**

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK: "HOLY SPRING"

*The date of Easter is calculated according to the turning of the cosmos. First we wait for spring in the Northern Hemisphere, Jerusalem's Hemisphere. Then we wait for the first full moon. Then we wait for the first day of the week. That is when we celebrate the rising of the elect to new life in baptism, the rising of the faithful to renewed commitment to Easter faith and joy. During Holy Week the entire parish goes on retreat. All are encouraged to spend this week in a spirit of prayer and reflection. Holy Week is not a week to dip your hand in the "work jar" and find jobs that have been put on hold. Holy Week is a week of prayer and fasting for you and your family. Parents are encouraged to give witness to their children of the sacredness of Holy Week starting with Palm Sunday next week.*

### THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION WILL BE CELEBRATED:

Saturday, March 15<sup>th</sup> ..... 4:00p.m. - 5:00p.m.  
Tuesday, March 18<sup>th</sup> ..... 8:00a.m. - 12Noon  
..... 1:00p.m. - 5:00p.m.  
Wednesday, March 19<sup>th</sup> ..... 7:00p.m. - 8:00p.m.  
Saturday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> ..... 11:00a.m. - 12Noon

### LENT MASS SCHEDULE

Our Lenten Mass schedule will be as follows:  
Monday - Tuesday - Wednesday - Friday 7:30a.m.  
Tuesday and Thursday - 12:10p.m.  
Friday - 7:00p.m. - Stations of the Cross followed by Mass.

## **HOLY WEEK LITURGIES:**

**Holy Thursday** - Mass at 7:00p.m. followed by Adoration until 10:00p.m.

**Good Friday** -Children's

Liturgy.....12Noon

Solemn Liturgy.....3:00p.m.

Stations of the Cross and Sermon.....7:00p.m.

**Holy Saturday** -Easter Vigil -8:00p.m. (NO 5:15p.m. Mass)

**Easter Sunday** - .....7:30a.m.,9:00a.m.,11:00a.m.

## **PARISH NEWS**

### **MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE**

A Marriage Preparation Course is being offered in our parish March 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>. All couples being married in our parish are reminded that they are expected to attend a Marriage Preparation Course.

### **CWL MONTHLY MEETING**

The ladies of the parish are invited to attend our monthly CWL Meeting, Tuesday, March 11<sup>th</sup> at 7p.m. We welcome the Irish Dancers of Mary Ellen Carn School of Dance for the social part of the evening.

## **STEWARDSHIP**

***Gratitude is more than an attitude. Gratitude is a way of life!***

### **YOUTH MINISTRY TEAM**

The Stewardship Council is pleased to announce we are forming a Youth Ministry Team to serve the youth of our parish. We are looking for volunteers and ideas. Everyone interested is invited to attend an information meeting Tuesday, March 25<sup>th</sup> from 7-9p.m. in the music annex. For further information please contact Wendy Obbema at 519-763-9204.

### **CWL TEA AND BAZAAR**

The Catholic Women's League of our parish will be holding a Tea and Bazaar on Sunday, April 6<sup>th</sup> from 12:00Noon to 3:00p.m.

### **CWL CARD PARTY**

The next CWL sponsored card party will be held on Friday, March 14 at 7:30p.m. in the Church Basement. An admission fee of \$3.00 is charged to cover the cost of prizes and a light lunch. Come and enjoy the evening of fun and friendship with old friends and bring along some new card players.

## **OTHER NEWS**

### **RETRouvaille:**

Thinking about Separation or Divorce? Is your marriage or that of a relative or friend heading for divorce? Do you know how to save that marriage? Or, do you feel helpless? Retrouvaille is designed to help troubled marriages, regain their health. It helps spouses re-awaken the love, trust and commitment that originally brought them together. The program is highly successful in saving hurt marriages, even bringing reconciliation to couples who have already separated or divorced. For confidential information about or to register for the April program beginning with a weekend on April 4-6th call toll free 1-888-663-0223 or [email:retrouvaille:hamilton@cogeco.ca](mailto:retrouvaille:hamilton@cogeco.ca).

## **SUNDAY SMILE!**

***It was Palm Sunday and because of a fever four year old Johnny stayed home from church with a sitter. When the family returned home they were carrying palm branches. The boy asked what they were for. "People held them over Jesus' head as He walked by." "Wouldn't you know it," Johnny said, "the one Sunday I don't go and He shows up!"***

### **DIOCESAN VOCATION MINISTRY**

Our Diocesan Vocation Ministry invite you to join our St. Therese Vocation Society by making a simple commitment to pray daily for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life, for the preservation of the seminarians preparing for priesthood and those in formation in religious communities and for the holiness of those already professed and ordained. Members are encouraged to offer their sufferings and sacrifices in union with Christ for an increase in vocations. Prayer cards are available at the church entrances.

### **VOCATION VIEW!**

***Seeing those who have died return to life is not a common event. But, as believers, if we are serious about our vocations, we are eager to help the "down and out" find new meaning in Christ and live a full life.***

### **GUELPH & AREA RIGHT TO LIFE**

Guelph & Area Right to Life presents "Carrying the Flame of Life," April 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> at the Guelph Bible Conference Centre, 485 Waterloo Avenue featuring Dave MacDonald. To register call 519-824-7797.

### **DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY**

Are you celebrating your 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup> or 60<sup>th</sup> (or more) Wedding Anniversary in the year 2008? On March 30<sup>th</sup> at 2:00p.m. Bishop Anthony Tonnos will celebrate a Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass at the Cathedral of Christ the King. (Strictly couples only - those married 60 years or more are allowed 1 other person.) Refer to the poster at the Tower Entrance. Deadline to register is March 10<sup>th</sup>.

### **ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church is hosting an Ecumenical Hymn Sing Sunday, March 9<sup>th</sup> at 3:00p.m. including our choir. There will be readings, congregational singing and a mass choir to lead.

### **RESPECT ID PROGRAM**

For those interested in enhancing their knowledge and skills in the area of child/youth abuse, neglect, bullying and harassment there is a five hour workshop provided by the RespectID Program, Wednesday, March 19<sup>th</sup>, 10a.m. to 3:30p.m. at the Oakville Public Library Program, Room 2, 120 Navy Street, Oakville. To register call , 1-905-845-5241. For local information call Sue Fitzgerald 519-836-3523.

### **CATHOLIC ENGAGED ENCOUNTER WEEKEND**

A non-residential Catholic Engaged Encounter Weekend will be held at Resurrection College, Waterloo April 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>. Brochures available at the tower entrance of the church.

### **ST. JEROME'S CENTRE**

St. Jerome's Centre presents Dawn Martin-Hill speaking on "Let's Become Again" Indigenous Health Care and the Healing of a Nation Friday, March 14<sup>th</sup>, 7:30p.m. at Siegfried Hall. Free admission and parking.